IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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Continuation Application

Prior Examiner:

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OPTICAL RECORDING/REPRODUCING APPARATUS FOR

OPTICAL DISKS WITH VARIOUS DISK SUBSTRATE

THICKNESSES

PETITION REGARDING LOST APPLICATION

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Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

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This continuation reissue application was filed on November 22, 1999. To date, the selfaddressed postcard submitted with the application has not been returned. Nor has the official filing receipt or a notice to file missing parts been received for this application.

A status inquiry letter was filed on May 15, 2000.

The applicants hereby petition, assuming the PTO file for this application has been lost, that the application be reconstructed based on the attached papers. As proof of filing, a copy of the postcard receipt bearing the PTO Office Date stamp of receipt is attached.. Also attached is a proof of filing of a Preliminary Amendment on December 13, 1999.

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No fee is deemed to be due for this petition. However, if a fee is due, it may be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4375.

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